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MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS
OF THE BURLINGTON, IOWA CITY COUNCIL

Meeting No. 47
December 6, 2021

The Burlington City Council met in regular session at 5:30 p.m. in the Thomas J. Smith Council Chambers, City Hall, 400 Washington Street, with Mayor Billups, Council Members Graham-Murray, Maupin and Rinker present. Council Member Critser participated via electronic communications. Mayor Billups asked for a moment of silence in memory of former Police Officer Tom Walz who was a shining example of his immense love of volunteering. He stated that a proclamation would be read at his funeral on Wednesday, December 8, 2021 proclaiming December 8, 2021 as "Toys for Tom Day" in the City of Burlington and he urged the citizens of Burlington to bring a new toy to Memorial Auditorium and fill the semi with a load of toys in memory of Tom Walz. All present had opportunity to speak and nothing additional was filed in the office of the City Clerk.

BURLINGTON CITY COUNCIL

MAYOR'S AWARD:

* Dresden Fishback

Winner of the City of Burlington 7th Grade Essay Contest 2021 - "If I Were Mayor"

COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE: Dean Phenise of 2117 Northern Drive stated that the City Council and the Police Department were doing a good job. He urged the City Council to consider Cascade Bridge as it leads into a beautiful park. He further wished the City Council a Merry Christmas. Chris Roepke of 2228 Madison Avenue asked when the Harrison Avenue Project would be completed. Mayor Billups stated that the Harrison Avenue Project should be open on December 7, 2021. Chris Roepke also asked when the STBG Grant would be coming up for City Council approval and what the project was. Mayor Billups stated that the Assistant City Manager for Public Works would be speaking about it during the 5-Year Road Plan. All present had opportunity to speak and nothing additional was filed in the office of the City Clerk.

CONSENT AGENDA: To the Public:

All matters listed under Item I., Consent Agenda, having been discussed were considered to be routine by the City Council and were enacted by one motion. There was no separate discussion of these items. If discussion was desired, that item was removed from the Consent Agenda and was considered separately.

Introduced By: Graham-Murray

Seconded By: Maupin

MOTION: To approve all items listed under Item I., Consent Agenda.

DISCUSSION: Mayor Billups reviewed the items listed on the consent agenda to the viewing audience. Council Member Graham-Murray announced those individuals appointed to various City commissions and boards. All present had opportunity to speak and nothing additional was filed in the office of the City Clerk.

(VOTE: 5 - "AYES")

CARRIED

HEARINGS:

1. Statement: Consideration of an Ordinance Amending Section 3.01 Voting Precincts of Chapter 3 Boundaries of the City of Burlington Municipal Code

COMMENTS: The Development and Parks Director stated that every 10-years after a census Cities have 60-days after the legislative districts become law to approve new precincts. Precincts may not exceed 3,500 people per precinct. He stated that currently Burlington has 9-precincts and with slight adjustments will be going down to 8-precincts. He stated that the proposed Ordinance amends the voting precinct boundaries for the City of Burlington with a legal description for each precinct. He stated that the proposed Ordinance has been reviewed by both the Des Moines County Auditor and the Des Moines County GIS Department. All present had opportunity to speak and nothing additional was filed in the office of the City Clerk.

Introduced By: Graham-Murray
Motion to Close

Seconded By: Maupin

CARRIED

Introduced By: Graham-Murray

Seconded By: Maupin

Motion for Preliminary Adoption of the First Reading of an Ordinance Amending Section 3.01 Voting Precincts of Chapter 3 Boundaries of the City of Burlington Municipal Code

DISCUSSION: None.

(VOTE: 5 - "AYES")

CARRIED

2. Statement: Consideration of an Ordinance Amending Various Sections of Chapter 170.65 Floodplain Management of Chapter 170 Zoning and Subdivision of the City of Burlington Municipal Code

COMMENTS: The Development and Parks Director stated that the proposed Ordinance amends the definition of basement and amends the section on the establishment of the Official Floodplain Zoning Map. He stated that the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has requested the two changes to be compliant and remain a part of the Flood Insurance Program. He further stated that the City Planning Commission had voted 4-0 on November 23, 2021 approving the amendments. All present had opportunity to speak and nothing additional was filed in the office of the City Clerk.

Introduced By: Maupin
Motion to Close

Seconded By: Rinker

CARRIED

Introduced By: Maupin

Seconded By: Graham-Murray

Motion for Preliminary Adoption of the First Reading of an Ordinance Amending Various Sections of Chapter 170.65 Floodplain Management of Chapter 170 Zoning and Subdivision of the City of Burlington Municipal Code

DISCUSSION: None.
(VOTE: 5 - "AYES")

CARRIED

RESOLUTIONS:

Introduced By: Rinker

Seconded By: Graham-Murray

1. Resolution Approving the Five Year Road Plan for Fiscal Years 2023-2027

DISCUSSION: The Assistant City Manager for Public Works reviewed the five year road plan for fiscal years 2023-2027 with Council and the viewing audience. The five year road plan would consist of the following: fiscal year 2022-2023 reconstruction of Madison Avenue/9th Street from Angular Street to Sunset Avenue, Jefferson Street from Front Street to Central Avenue (TIGER) and Main Street from Angular Street to Highway 34 (TIGER); fiscal year 2023-2024 reconstruction of Washington Street from Front Street to Agency Street and Melrose Court to Curran Street, resurfacing of Terrace Drive from Division Street to West Avenue and resurfacing of Johannsen Drive from Terrace Drive to Roosevelt Avenue and Division Street from Plane Street to Leebrick Street; fiscal year 2024-2025 reconstruction of Summer Street from Harrison Avenue to Koestner Street; fiscal year 2025-2026 reconstruction of Cascade Bridge; fiscal year 2026-2027 reconstruction of Sunnyside Avenue, Phase I: Roosevelt Avenue to Irish Ridge Road. He stated that the western portion of the Harrison Avenue Project would be opening up on December 7, 2021. He stated that the City would be applying for STBG monies at the December 20, 2021 City Council meeting for Sunnyside Avenue. He stated that the STBG grant application was due January 1, 2022. He stated that it takes a while to prepare the grant application. Council Member Graham-Murray asked about trail plans for Sunnyside Avenue as part of the grant application. The Assistant City Manager for Public Works stated that there were TAP grant funds available for trails. Chris Roepke of 2228 Madison Avenue stated that bike lanes restrict parking and hurts neighborhoods. He stated that \$7,000,000.00 in local funds for Cascade Bridge could be better spent to improve neighborhood streets. All present had opportunity to speak and nothing additional was filed in the office of the City Clerk.

(VOTE: 5 - "AYES")

ADOPTED

Introduced By: Rinker

Seconded By: Graham-Murray

5. Resolution Approving a Design Change for the Riverfront Shade Structure

DISCUSSION: The Assistant City Manager for Public Works stated that a shade structure is planned for a portion of the TIGER Grant Project for the riverfront. He stated that the bid cost was \$321,500.00. He stated that during preconstruction and early stages of construction staff has discussed cost saving measures with the contractor. He stated that a subcontractor has experience with solar arrays and staff has asked for an alternative shade structure design that would include a solar aspect. He stated that the design and bid alternative were submitted to Veenstra and Kimm with an alternative design estimated at \$270,600.00. He stated that the estimated savings of the project would be \$50,900.00. He further stated that the estimated solar production would be 26,706 kwh or a savings of \$4,140.00 in today's rates. The City Manager stated that there was a 10-15 year warranty on the solar portion of the project. Dean Phenise of 2117 Northern Drive stated that winters are cold in Iowa and will there will problems with the splash pad. The Assistant City Manager for Public Works stated that the splash pad would be winterized. Chris Roepke of 2228 Madison Avenue urged Council to cut out the entire shade structure project on the riverfront. He questions what happens if the solar fails in 10-years and technology changes and the City has to keep the structure as it was part of grant project. All present had opportunity to speak and nothing additional was filed in the office of the City Clerk. (VOTE: 5 - "AYES")

ADOPTED

Adjournment: 6:15 p.m.

Approved: December 20, 2021

Kathleen P. Salisbury, MMC
City Clerk

Jon D. Billups
Mayor

(See recording on file in the office of the City Clerk for complete discussion and documentation.)

ITEM I.
Consent Agenda

FINANCES AND MISCELLANEOUS

Minutes of Previous Meetings

Payroll and City Claims

BEER, LIQUOR, WINE AND CIGARETTES

REPORTS AND BONDS

RESOLUTIONS:

1. Resolution Approving Purchase of a 2019-2021 Ram Crew Cab Truck for the Burlington Fire Department
2. Resolution Approving Fire Department Fees for American Heart Association Classes
3. Resolution Approving an Agreement Between the City of Burlington, Iowa and Alliant Energy Incorporated for All Night Lighting Service at the 7th and Valley Parking Lot
4. Resolution Approving Amendment No. 2 to the Existing Professional Services Agreement with HR Green, Inc. of Cedar Rapids, Iowa for the Burlington, Iowa Wastewater Treatment Facility Digester Cover Recoating

SET DATE FOR PUBLIC HEARING: DECEMBER 20, 2021

1. Consideration of Plans and Specifications for the 2022 West Avenue Connector Trail Project

APPOINTMENTS:

Flint Hills Golf Course Advisory Board: Nick Bronson

Historic Preservation Commission: Mark Fisher

Tree Advisory Board: Dale Schmeiser

Waterworks Board of Trustees: Amy Hanks